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The Honorable Robert Bunda, President and Members of the Senate Twenty-Third State Legislature State Capitol, Room 003 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate:

For your information and consideration, I am transmitting herewith two (2) copies of the Department of Transportation's Monthly Progress Report on the Lahaina Bypass Project and the Motor Vehicle Use Reduction Plan, as required by Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 74, Session Laws of Hawaii 2006, for the months of September and October 2006. Pursuant to Section 93-16, Hawaii Revised Statutes, I am also informing you that the report may be viewed electronically at www.hawaii.gov/dot/administration/legislature.

Sincerely,

LINDA LINGLE

Enclosures

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REPORT TO THE TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE STATE OF HAWAII 2006

PURSUANT TO S.C.R. 74, SLH 2006, THE DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION IS REQUIRED TO SUBMIT:

A DETAILED IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE FOR THE EXPEDITED CONSTRUCTION COMPLETION OF THE LAHAINA BYPASS PROJECT, NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 1, 2006

AND

MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORTS ON THE LAHAINA BYPASS PROJECT AND THE MOTOR VEHICLE USE REDUCTION PLAN BEGINNING JULY 1, 2006.

PREPARED BY:

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION STATE OF HAWAII SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER 2006

INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 74, Session Laws of Hawaii 2006 (SCR 74), the Department of Transportation is required to submit:

- 1. A detailed implementation timeline for the expedited construction and completion of the Lahaina Bypass Project, no later than October 1, 2006;
- 2. A completed plan containing strategies to reduce motor vehicle use into and out of Lahaina, no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2007; and
- 3. Monthly progress reports on the status of the Lahaina Bypass Project and the motor vehicle use reduction plan, beginning on July 1, 2006.

This is:

- An update to the detailed implementation timeline for the expedited construction and completion of the Lahaina Bypass Project; and
- The fourth and fifth monthly progress reports, covering the period of September 1 to October 31, 2006, on the status of the Lahaina Bypass Project and the motor vehicle use reduction plan.

REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE

DETAILED IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE UPDATE:

Lahaina Bypass Project

- We are in the "Selection Process Stage" to select a design-builder.
- We estimate the selection before year end.
- Assuming no additional funds are needed, the Department of Transportation (DOT) will award the contract and submit the timeline report to the 2007 Legislature accordingly.

FOURTH AND FIFTH MONTHLY REPORT - September 1 to October 31, 2006:

Lahaina Bypass Project

- The DOT re-advertised the Request for Proposal documents on July 21, 2006.
- Proposers have submitted the design concept documents and price proposals that are currently being evaluated by a "Review and Evaluation Committee."
- Since we are still in the selection process stage, all documents are confidential until an award is officially made.

Motor Vehicle Use Reduction Plan

- SMS Research has concluded its analysis of the data results from the "Demographic Study," completed on August 31, 2006.
- A presentation and a report of the results of the study was submitted to the DOT on October 26, 2006. The presentation and report focused on:
 - □ VAN POOL SATISFACTION RESULTS
 - □ AWARENESS LEVELS OF THE VAN POOL PROGRAM
 - □ REPORT ON COMMUTERS THAT ARE LIKELY TO TRY "VAN POOLING" IN THE FUTURE
 - THINGS THAT VAN POOL HAWAII CAN DO TO CONVERT LIKELY "VAN POOLER'S" INTO CUSTOMERS.
- The results of the study will be used to develop an effective media plan (advertisement, radio, newspapter, etc.) that includes strategies to reduce motor vehicle use into and out of Lahaina, which may be submitted as early as next month.
- VPSI, Inc. continues to explore the possibility of expanding carpool usage as a viable alternative for various businesses, hotels and contractors to shuttle employees to and from work sites and to provide "Hotel Rental Car Pickup

- Services" to commuters, a service that is currently being provided by some hotels.
- Meetings between VPSI, Inc. and the Ritz Carlton are pending the enlistment of additional subscribers.
- VPSI, Inc. is exploring utilization of the two (2) Park and Ride Facilities, located outside of West Maui, as meeting points for Vanpool subscribers.
- VPSI, Inc. attended the Maui County Fair held September 28, 2006 to October 1, 2006 and distributed 3,000 brochures and 3,000 marketing tools (i.e.: pens, CD holders, T-Shirts, key chains, lunch coolers, etc.) to further promote the Vanpool program to Maui residents.